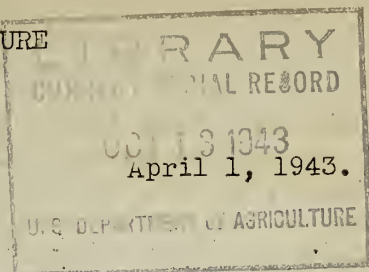


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BUTTER GRADERS MEMORANDUM NO. 2

To: Butter Graders

From: B. J. Ormodt, Senior Marketing Specialist, Inspection and Grading Division, Dairy and Poultry Branch

Subject: Procedure to be Followed in the Grading, Weighing and Preparation of Grading Certificates for Butter Purchased by DPMA under Announcement -3- Butter

The Food Distribution Administration has authorized the Dairy Products Marketing Association to purchase creamery butter needed for Lend-Lease, including all butter required to be set aside under Food Distribution Administration Order No. 2 that is not sold to other designated agencies. A copy of Announcement DPMA -3- Butter has been sent directly to grading personnel by DPMA.

Quantity: Offers are preferred in maximum carlots of 45,000 pounds. On delivery, variations in delivered quantity of any grade from the offered quantity of each grade will be permitted to the extent of not more than 5% of the total quantity of all grades, provided that the total quantity of all grades delivered shall not vary more than 1% on the total quantity offered and, provided further, that no carlot delivery shall be less than a minimum carlot.

Quality: All butter delivered to DPMA must be salted butter and meet the requirements for the grade or grades as offered, which shall be U. S. grades and not below the requirements for U. S. Grade C or U. S. 89 score.

Inspection: The grades and weights of the butter shall be evidenced by certificates issued by the Food Distribution Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and all inspection fees and charges shall be paid by the vendor, who will be reimbursed by DPMA for the amount of inspection charges, including traveling and per diem expenses, not to exceed \$30.00 per 45,000 pound carlot, applicable to butter delivered. Certificates dated not more than 14 days in advance of the date of the offering will be acceptable provided the butter is kept under proper storage conditions to assure maintenance of quality. Sellers shall furnish FDA inspectors with a manifest showing churn numbers and number of packages of each churning of butter contained in the lot. When a lot of butter to be graded is in print form, the original churn numbers from the bulk packages should be carried forward on the packages containing the print butter.

Packaging and Marking: Particular attention should be given to the marking of the containers to see that they conform to the contract requirements. Each container shall be clearly stenciled or stamped, (pencil markings should not be used), on one side with the name of the product, marked weight, churn number, vendor's name and address, lot, and contract number. Containers containing print butter should be marked "1 lb. prints", net weight should be shown instead of marked weight. The type of containers used should be indicated on the certificate and the condition of the containers should also be shown under "Remarks" Note carefully DPMA container specifications Form -G 1.

Stamping Containers with USDA Lot Numbers: Each carlot shall be assigned a USDA

